

## Great Basin Coordinating Group Conference Call Notes

**Date:** 08/22/2017 **Time:** 1200 Mountain / 1100 Pacific

**Facilitator:** Derrek Hartman

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GBCC	<input type="checkbox"/> State of Nevada	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GB MAC Support	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State of Idaho	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> USFS R4	<input type="checkbox"/> FWS	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BIA Western Region	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NPS Pacific West Region	<input type="checkbox"/>
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### Agenda Items:

#### Predictive Services Update:

Generally dry conditions with warming temperatures will continue across the north through early this week. Moisture in place across the southern Great Basin will generate daily afternoon thunderstorms thru early this week, especially over the higher elevations of Utah and over central and southern Nevada, spreading northward into Idaho. Locally breezy winds of 15-25 mph this afternoon for parts of SE ID and Wrn WY along with low humidity.

An approaching low pressure system out of the PacNW will draw moisture into southern Idaho/Western Wyoming Wed-Thu for scattered showers and thunderstorms, especially over the higher elevations of central Idaho. *High Risk for Lightning* has been issued for most of Idaho and NE Nevada for Wednesday.

An additional concern will be stronger winds moving into northern areas after the lightning. Even though temperatures will be cooler behind the cold front Thursday/ Friday, humidity will be lower and westerly winds of 15-30 mph are possible. *High Risk for Strong Winds/Drier Air* has been issued for much of Idaho Thursday.

Strong high pressure builds in across the Western Great Basin, with near record heat Saturday, spreading eastward through the weekend into early next week across most of the Great Basin.

#### GB Coordinating Center Update:

- Very Light IA in the last call: 60 new starts / about 3000 acres
- Large Fire Growth: 5000+ acres
- Teams: 1 T1, 1 T2, 2 T3
- Aircraft: 3 AT; 23 SEATs, 1 LP
- Helicopters: 6 T1 (2 available); 9 T2 (1 available); 23 T3 (4 available)
- Smokejumpers: 52 across 5 Bases (McCall, WID, EKO, PIH, BOI)

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- **Helicopters and Aviation**
  - *80 total – made up of the following:*
  - *33 (SEATS/Air Tankers/ Lead Planes/Smokeyjumper AC)*
  - *17 Committed (varies 15 to 20)*
  - *20 helicopters and 10 air attack available for IA and any new large incident*
- **Teams**
  - *T1 IMT: 1 available - Martin*
  - *T2 IMTs: 1 available - Bird*
  - *T3 IMTs: For national support status from the Members.*
    - *NV T3 IMT available now for out of GACC*
    - *ID T3 IMT will be held through the WX event*
    - *WY T3 IMT will take the Pole Creek fire*
- *T1 Crews: Currently at 7 total in the Basin*
- *T2IA Crews: Currently at 6 total available in the Basin*
- **Glide path for MAC Support:**
  - **MAC Coordinator:** In place at GBCC
  - **MAC Aviation** - working from home unit. Calls M / W / F
  - **MAC Intel** – working from home unit, prioritizing incidents in the evening.
- **Priorities: Update**
  - Pole Creek
  - Highline
  - Ibex

**GBCG decisions:**

- **IMT:**  
If Russ Bird is mobilized, early up Chadwick: Yes.  
Is Bird available Nationally? Yes
- **Crews:**  
7 T1 IHC – Do we want to let anything else go? Yes.  
After the WX: cut 1 T1 IHC and 2 T2 IA out of GACC on Thursday/Friday timeline.  
  
Will move Vegas Valley north to stage and then cut them out of GACC if not assigned Wed/Th
- **MAC Support**  
Discontinue MAC Support now... OR  
Continue on with Short MAC with MAC coordinator / Aviation and Intel (remote) through the weather event.  
  
Keep the Short MAC through close of business on Thursday, if no teams are mobilized in the GB, MAC will be discontinue Friday Morning.

**Other Issues:**

**Next call:**

- IF activity increases, the call will be on Friday at 1200 otherwise, call will be Thursday 31 at 1200.

**Date and Time of Next Call:**

**Possibly Friday 8/25 OR 8/31 @ 1100 PT / 1200 MT**